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PATENT

Inventors: David S. Bonalle, et al. Docket No.: 70655.3000
Serial No.: 10/710,332 Confirmation No.: 4331 Group Art Unit: 2876
Filing Date: July 1, 2004 Examiner: Walsh, Daniel L.
Title: **METHOD FOR REGISTERING BIOMETRIC FOR USE WITH A SMARTCARD**

REPLY AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated October 10, 2006, wherein this Reply is timely filed within the two-month period for receiving an Advisory Action, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2814.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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